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SUBJECT: DRAGON REACTOR

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1. ON DECEMBER 16 THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT PASSED A RESOLUTION ASKING THE EC COMMISSION TO URGENTLY SUBMIT PROPOSALS TO THE COUNCIL WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE DRAGON PROJECT TO BE CONTINUED UNTIL 30 SEPTEMBER 1976 SO THAT NEGOTIATIONS FOR ITS LONG-TERM FUTURE MAY TAKE PLACE.

2. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM CACCIA DOMINIONI IN THE EC COMMISSION DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR INDUSTRIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL AFFAIRS, HOWEVER, THAT IN SPITE OF THE PARLIAMENT'S RESOLUTION, THE COMMISSION DOES NOT INTEND TO RAISE THE ISSUE AGAIN WITH THE MEMBER STATES. CACCIA DOMINIONI SAYS THE ISSUE HAS BEEN DISCUSSED

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AD NAUSEUM IN BRUSSELS AND THE PARLIAMENT RESOLUTION ADDS

NOTHING NEW. THE BRITISH AND THE GERMANS ARE FIRM IN THEIR OPPOSITION. THE ONLY DEVELOPMENT WHICH HE BELIEVES WOULD WARRANT THE REOPENING OF DISCUSSIONS ON THE FUTURE OF THE DRAGON WOULD BE A FIRM COMMITMENT BY THE US TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROJECT WITH BOTH MONEY AND TECHNOLOGY.

3. CACCIA DOMINIONI BELIEVES THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR THE COMMISSION AND ERDA TO GET TOGETHER SOMETIME IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY TO DISCUSS ALTERNATIVE WAYS TO PURSUE SOME OF THE WORK THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY DONE BY THE DRAGON. HE WILL CONTACT US LATER WITH MORE SPECIFIC PROPOSALS. GREENWALD

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